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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with House Appropriations
Defense Subcommittee on Security Matters

1. (U) On 17 April I met with Ralph Preston, Peter J. Murphy, and David J. Willson, of the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee staff. In accordance with conversations I had previously had with [REDACTED] of the Office of Security, I told Murphy and Willson that their attendance at the 13 April hearing on intelligence-related activities may have inadvertently exposed them to STAT materials beyond their clearances. I requested them to agree to not disclose anything they might have heard or seen of this nature. Neither man remembered hearing or seeing anything which went beyond their clearances, but both nevertheless agreed to abide by my instruction.

2. (U) In the course of our conversation, Murphy and Willson explained their professional responsibilities for defense programs and how these responsibilities involve them in intelligence-related activities, and into some aspects of national intelligence programs. From these comments I conclude that it may be necessary to look further into clearances of all Defense Subcommittee staffers in order to determine what clearances are needed before the FY 1980 budget hearings.

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